

## Message Text

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DEFENSE PASS TO ISA, JCS, CNO, CSAF, CSA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINR, MILI, UK

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF OF DEFENSE STAFF

REFERENCE: LONDON 489

1. MOD ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT ADMIRAL SIR EDWARD ASHMORE, CURRENTLY THE ACTING CDS (FOLLOWING MARSHAL OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE SIR ANDREW HUMPHREY'S SUDDEN DEATH), WILL SUCCEED SIR ANDREW UNTIL SIR EDWARD'S RETIREMENT (REFTEL) ON SEPTEMBER 1. ADMIRAL SIR EDWARD ASHMORE IS PROMOTED TO ADMIRAL OF THE FLEET.

2. AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR NEIL CAMERON WILL SUCCEED ASHMORE AS CDS. AS YET NO ONE HAS BEEN NAME SUCCESSOR TO THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF.

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3. ADMIRAL SIR TERENCE LEWIN HAS SUCCEEDED AS CHIEF OF THE NAVAL STAFF.ARMSTRONG

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